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Resolution adopted by the Human Rights Council on 23 June 2017

35/31. Cooperation with and assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights

The Human Rights Council,

Guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations,

Reaffirming the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and relevant international human rights treaties,

Confirming the primary responsibility of States to promote and protect human rights,

Recalling its resolutions 26/30 of 27 June 2014, 29/23 of 3 July 2015 and 32/29 of 1 July 2016 on cooperation with and assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights,

Acknowledging the efforts of the United Nations, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and other international and regional organizations to assist Ukraine in protecting the rights of all persons in Ukraine, as described by the General Assembly in its resolution 68/262 of 27 March 2014, and the progress achieved as well as the challenges and obstacles remaining in this regard,

Welcoming the technical assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights provided by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, and acknowledging the further need for such assistance with due regard to the commitment of the Government of Ukraine to promote and protect human rights on all its territory,

Welcoming also the cooperation of the Government of Ukraine with the Office of the High Commissioner, including its monitoring mission in Ukraine, and with other relevant international and regional human rights mechanisms,

Recognizing the importance of the reports of the Office of the High Commissioner based on the findings of the monitoring mission for the proper assessment of the situation of human rights in Ukraine and an evaluation of the needs for technical assistance to Ukraine in the field of human rights,

Recognizing also the continuing need for ongoing reporting, including on the most serious human rights problems within Ukraine and their root causes,

1. *Welcomes* the oral presentations by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to the States members of the Human Rights Council and observers of the findings of the reports of the Office of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in Ukraine held, in accordance with Council resolutions 29/23 and 32/29, from the thirtieth to the thirty-fifth sessions of the Council;

2. *Invites* the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights to continue to present orally to the States members of the Human Rights Council and observers the findings of each of the reports of the Office of the High Commissioner on the situation of human rights in Ukraine as part of the interactive dialogues, and through the modalities of the Council, in accordance with its resolution 5/1 of 18 June 2007, until the forty-first session of the Council.

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[Adopted by a recorded vote of 22 to 6, with 19 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Albania, Belgium, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Ecuador, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, Iraq, Japan, Latvia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Panama, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Slovenia, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

Against:

Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Burundi, China, Cuba, Philippines, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Abstaining:

Bangladesh, Botswana, Brazil, Congo, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Paraguay, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Togo, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates]